

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING  
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:294

ANSWERED ON:08.12.2000

ENFORCEMENT OF CABLE TV NETWORKS REGULATION ACT, 1995

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**Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:**

- (a) whether the Government have directed all the State Governments to ensure enforcement of the Cable TV Networks (Regulation) Act, 1995;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the number of States which responded to it;
- (d) whether the Government have received any complaint regarding violation of codes for advertising etc;
- (e) if so, the details thereof; and
- (f) the action taken by the Government thereon?

**Answer**

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ )

(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) & (f): A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (f) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 294 FOR ANSWER ON 08.12.2000

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Letters have been written at the level of Information and Broadcasting Minister and Secretary (I&B) to the Chief Ministers & Chief Secretaries of States and Union Territories, on 20th September, 2000 and 22nd September, 2000 respectively.

(c): Acknowledgement letters have been received from 9 States viz. Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat, Kerala, West Bengal, Bihar, Orissa, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh.

(d), (e) & (f): Incidence of violation of advertisement codes etc. laid down in the Cable Television Networks Rules, has to be brought before the officers authorized under the Cable Television Networks (Regulation) Act, for enforcement of the provisions of the Cable Act. Individual cases from all over the country do not necessarily get reported to Government of India. On 15th November, 2000, the Information and Broadcasting Minister also held a meeting with CEOs of various satellite channels and impressed upon them the need to adhere to the Advertising Code.